

REMARKS

In response to the requirement for restriction, applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 1-5 and 38-47, drawn to the compounds of formula 1 and their pharmaceutical compositions.

In response to the requirement for election of species, applicants elect, without traverse, the single compound (4-methylthiophenyl)-naphth-1-yl-carbinol. This is a compound of formula 1 in which R is CHOH , R_1 is H, R_2 is H and R_3 is SCH_3 . At least Claims 1-3, 5, 38-40 and 42-47 read on the elected species. The elected species is compound (iv) of Claims 5 and 39. Its synthesis is described in Example 3 of the specification.

Another species of interest to applicants is the compound (4-methylthiophenyl)-naphthyl-1-yl-ketone. This is a compound of formula 1 in which R is CO, R_1 is H, R_2 is H and R_3 is SCH_3 . It is compound (i) of Claims 5 and 39 and its synthesis is described in Example 1 of the specification. Claims 1-3, 5, 38-40 and 42-47 also read on this species. If the genus for examination purposes could include the structural variables represented by this structure as well, it would be appreciated.

In view of the foregoing, examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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